

**REMARKS**

Claims 4-13 remain pending in the application, claims 1-3 being canceled herein.

**Allowed Claims 7 and 12**

The Applicants thank the Examiner for the indication that claims 7 and 12 are allowed.

**Claims 1-6, 8-11 and 13 over Johansson in view of Hoirup**

In the Office Action, claims 1-6, 8-11 and 13 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being obvious over U.S. Pat. No. 6,975,613 to Johansson ("Johansson") in view of U.S. Pat. No. 6,308,076 to Hoirup et al. ("Hoirup"). The Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection.

Claims 4-6, 8-11 and 13 are amended herein with language from ALLOWED claims 7 and 12. In particular, claims 4-6, 8-11 and 13 are amended herein to now additionally require replacement in the receiving piconet device a past frequency offset value for the transmitting piconet device with a new frequency offset calculated based on a calculated actual frequency offset.

As the Examiner points out in the Office Action at page 4:

**Johansson** in view of **Hoirup** either alone or in combination **fails to teach replacing in said receiving piconet device said past frequency offset value for said transmitting piconet device with a new frequency offset calculated based on said calculated actual frequency offset.**

This language forming allowable subject matter in ALLOWED claims 7 and 12, it is believed that claims 4-6, 8-11 and 13 also now recite allowable subject matter. For instance,

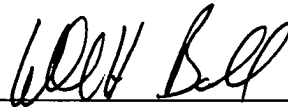
Should the Examiner find any remaining issues in the case, the courtesy of a phone call to the undersigned is respectfully requested.

Accordingly, for at least all these reasons, claims 1-6, 8-11 and 13 are patentable over the prior art of record. It is therefore respectfully requested that the rejection be withdrawn.

**Conclusion**

All objections and rejections having been addressed, it is respectfully submitted that the subject application is in condition for allowance and a Notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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